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Docket No. AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER 04536/018001 Examiner Art Unit Application No. Filing Date 10/622,609-Conf. #4313 July 18, 2003 T. Chen 2656 Applicant(s): Eiji Nakata Invention: DISC DRIVE APPARATUS TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below. **CLAIMS AS AMENDED** Claims Highest Remaining Number Number Extra Claims Previously After Rate Amendment Pald Present **Total Claims** 20 10 Х Independent 2 3 Х Claims Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) Other fee (please specify): TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT: 0.00 **Small Entity** x Large Entity x No additional fee is required for this amendment. Please charge Deposit Account No. \_\_\_\_\_ in the amount of \$ \_\_\_ A check in the amount of \$ to cover the filing fee is enclosed. Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached. 50-0591 x The Director is hereby authorized to charge and credit Deposit Account No. as described below. x Credit any overpayment. Charge any additional filing or application processing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17. Dated: March 2, 2006 Jonathan P. Osha Attorney/Agent Reg. No.: 33,986 22511 OSHA · LIANG LLP PATENT TRADEMARK OFFICE

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## RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the election of species requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed February 2, 2006, Applicant hereby elects Species I shown in Figures 4 - 10, on which claims 1-6 are readable, for continued examination without traverse. No claim is considered generic. Accordingly, non-elected claims will be canceled in due course.

Applicant believes no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 50-0591, under Order No. 04536/018001 from which the

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